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Veterans' Day ceremony

The Agawam Veterans' Council will conduct its annual Veterans Day ceremony Monday, Nov. 11 at 10:45 a.m. at Veterans Green. The public is invited to attend.

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ELECTION 2013

Low voter turnout in Agawam

Only 27 percent cast ballots

By Jennifer Wroblewski
Staff Writer

AGAWAM — Across the region Tuesday, voters packed into polling locations to cast their ballots during Election Day, but in Agawam, the voter turnout was lower than anticipated.

On the local ballot, voters were asked to whittle down a field of 19 candidates for the 11 available seats on the city council and nine candidates for the six available seats on the school committee. The seventh school committee seat is held by Mayor Richard A. Cohen, who ran unopposed for the mayoral seat.

Agawam voters were also asked to decide on a senator to fill the seat vacated by former state Sen. Mike Knapik, R-Westfield, and weigh in on a ballot question to change the term lengths for elected officials from two years to four years.

While Town Clerk Richard M. Theroux originally estimated a 40 percent voter turnout for the election, only 27 percent of registered voters cast ballots, Theroux said.

City Council

All but one city council incumbent were elected back to their positions. Gina M. Letellier
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Turley Publications staff photo by Jennifer Wroblewski

Kathy Arnold of Feeding Hills waves to passing motorists outside Agawam Junior High School on Election Day.

Humason bests Bartley for open senate seat

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications
Correspondent

WESTFIELD — After a whirlwind campaign and special election that lasted just 12 weeks, State Rep. Donald Humason, R-Westfield, defeated Holyoke City Councilor David Bartley in the special election Tuesday to name a new state senator in the Second Hampden Hampshire District.

Like the states on the U.S. map during a national election, both candidates had their eyes on the prize as they vied for the vote in 11 different communities in the area.

In the end, Humason bested Bartley 18,123 votes to 16,493 votes.

Democrat Bartley carried his home city of Holyoke, along with the section of Chicopee represented, and democratically dominated Easthampton. Humason carried his home city of Westfield by a wide margin, and carried several of the smaller towns, including Granville, Tolland, and Russell. Humason won Southwick with a healthy margin thanks to a good turnout.

Agawam would end up being the “swing city.” Humason carried the vote in Agawam by a margin of more than 1,200 votes,

winning 3,521 to 2,303.

In Holyoke, Bartley garnered 7,072 votes while Humason had 2,519. In Westfield, Humason had 7,089 votes to Bartley's 1,910.

Southwick got a decent turnout with Humason winning 1,132 to 267. In the past several years, Southwick has voted Republican in most major elections.

Easthampton was won by Bartley 2,867 to 1,611. He also carried Chicopee Wards 7, 8, and 9 1,552 to 934.

Humason celebrated his victory with family, friends, and supporters on Tuesday night at East Mountain Country Club in Westfield. He is looking forward to being sworn in “as soon

as possible,” and beginning the process of representing the larger district.

“It's still not real for me yet,” said Humason after learning he had won. “It's still sinking in. But I have to get to work quickly.”

Humason's platform has been widely focused on continuing to bring local aid back to cities and towns in Western Massachusetts, especially in his district. He is focused on continuing that fight with a bigger voice in the 40-person state senate.

“I want to bring more local aid to our communities and sup-

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“It's still not real for me yet. It's still sinking in. But I have to get to work quickly.”

Newly elected state Sen. Donald Humason
R-Westfield



Turley Publications courtesy photo

Police issued this image from a CVS security camera of a man sought in connection with a weekend shoplifting incident.

Shoplifting suspect sought

AGAWAM — Police are looking for the public's help in identifying a suspect following a weekend shoplifting incident.

According to Agawam Detective Lt. Richard Light, police were called to CVS on Silver Street at 4:35 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 3, when a man left the store after allegedly shoplifting merchandise.

The suspect reportedly got into a brief struggle with a female customer who police said “had attempted to foil his escape” before fleeing the area in a small, white vehicle.

Anyone with information regarding the shoplifting is asked to contact the Agawam Police Detective Bureau at (413) 786-1717.

WSU honors former Agawam teacher

By Mike Lydick
Turley Publications
Correspondent

AGAWAM — It was a very special homecoming for Westfield State University alumna Ann Zucco Favreau. The former Agawam resident and retired Agawam teacher returned to her alma mater last month to receive its Distinguished Alumnus Award.

The award is presented annually during homecoming weekend to a graduate who has made an outstanding contribution to the community. A 25-year colorectal cancer survivor and an Agawam teacher for nearly 30 years, she is only the fourth award recipient. She was recognized for outstanding service to the ostomy community, her teaching experience, and her writing that raised awareness about colorectal cancer.

When Favreau, 76, arrived on campus for the Oct. 16 ceremony it was only the second time she had been back in 55 years. She was amazed at the changes.

“When I began my college days,



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Tracey Pinto (right), president of Westfield State University's Alumna Association, congratulates Ann Favreau as the 2013 recipient of WSU's Distinguished Alumnus Award.

there was one building and one dorm. It was basically a teacher training school. My graduating class had 75 students. Now the

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ROBYN'S KIDS CELEBRATE



Turley Publications submitted photos

Robyn's Nest Daycare held their annual Halloween party Oct. 27, which included horseback riding, corn table, pumpkin bowling, hayrides and a visit from Agawam Fire Department. (Inset) Avery monkeys around the yard.

WHERE IS IT?

Each week *Agawam Advertiser News* will feature a photo of a local building, item, sign, place or landmark and ask readers to pick their brains to figure out where it is or even what it is. Check here each week to test your knowledge of the area where we live and work. The photo will be from either Agawam or Feeding Hills, but we'll always give you a hint or two.

The answer to this week's "Where is it?" will run in next week's edition along with the name of the first person to submit a correct answer and a new trivia photo for you to consider.

E-mail answers or future Where Is It? suggestions to editor Jennifer Wroblewski at jwroblewski@turley.com.

Turley Publications staff
photo by Jennifer Wroblewski



Next time you find yourself out for a stroll in Feeding Hills, keep your eyes out for this statue and let us know if you know: Where is it?



Last week's photo: That light can be found at the entrance to Agawam Town Hall on Main Street.



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No dice for Palmer casino

Host agreement defeated by only 93 votes

By Douglas Farmer
Staff Writer

PALMER — Pending a potential recount, casino opponents scored a startling upset in the town of Palmer Tuesday, with a 93-vote margin defeating a casino host community agreement signed by Palmer officials and the Mohegan Tribal Gaming Authority. This came after many months of heavy marketing of a proposed resort casino development on 152 acres of Thorndike Street in Palmer leased from Northeast Realty. Several public officials had also lined up behind the project.

Mohegan officials were reportedly planning to request a recount, though Palmer Town Clerk Susan Coache said she had received no formal communication to that effect as of presstime. Paul Brody, Mohegan’s Palmer development director, referred questions about the project to Cosmo Macero Jr., senior vice president at the marketing firm O’Neal & Associates, who was unavailable for comment at presstime.

Assuming the numbers reported officially by Coache Wednesday morning stand, precincts in Palmer voted as follows:

Precinct 1 – 693 yes, 555 no
Precinct 1A – 88 yes, 98 no
Precinct 2 – 591 yes, 836 no
Precinct 3 – 532 yes, 581 no
Precinct 4 – 660 yes, 587 no

The full tally was 2,657 against and 2,564 in favor, or 5,221 total, amounting to approximately 66 percent of 7,760 registered voters.

Several residents expressed surprise at the results announced at the Palmer Office Building late Tuesday night.

Nevertheless, there was an air of jubilation among members and supporters of the Quaboag Valley Against Casinos (QVAC) at their storefront on Central Street, who socialized late into the night.

Charlotte Burns, co-president of the QVAC, credited an active membership for getting their message out into the commu-

nity. Michael Eagan agreed.

“It’s not every day that a small town like Palmer can beat a multi-billion dollar corporation,” he said. “And that’s what happened today.”

But for his part, Palmer Town Manager Charles Blanchard said that he was disappointed in the results, because of the millions of revenue that could have been brought into the community that could relieve the pressure on a tight budget. He pointed to ongoing concerns with retired teacher insurance accounting for an official gap – as far as the state is concerned - between what the town is spending on the Palmer Public Schools and what they are expected to spend through the “minimum local contribution” requirement.

“Obviously I’m disappointed, but I’m not sure this was really about the project itself,” he said. “When I look at three different votes in Palmer, West Springfield and East Boston voting down these revenues, it makes me think that the governor and Legislature were really out of touch with the sentiment of the state when they passed the bill.”

Palmer teen Alexander LaMarche, who held a pro-casino sign on Main Street on Election Day said that at his first election, he wanted to do some good for Palmer.

“Palmer needs an economic boost and I think the casino will do that,” he said.

During the day, many casino supporters felt their momentum was building, as Mohegan CEO Mitchell Etess praised the turnout and Elaine Boone, chairperson of the “Yes for Palmer” committee said that “people have been responding with a lot of energy and excitement.”

But one person who did not seem as surprised as others when the results were announced was Palmer Planning Board Chairman Michael Marciniec.

“People talk about the successful non-binding referendum in 1997 but people forget that there were three unsuccessful attempts before that,” he said. “After all this, I don’t think the vote was that different than it was back then.”

Public invited to fill ‘Stockings for Soldiers’

Hidden Treasures, located at 143 Main St., Agawam and the Main St. Deli Restaurant and Catering, located at 141 Main St., Agawam, are collecting filled stockings for soldiers again this year.

The public is invited to bring in filled Christmas stockings by Nov. 11 to bring a little joy from home to our service men and

women protecting our country. This annual event is a great opportunity for service projects for youth groups, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and sports teams.

For a list of suggested items, stop in at either location or call Hidden Treasures at 821-0100.

SHOWING SOX SPIRIT!



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Agawam Public Library staff members (front row, from left) Susan Peoples, Rose Dupre, (back row, from left) Laura Paul, Pat Leveille, Joanne Szlag and Darlene Clarke, show their Red Sox spirit for game six of the 2013 World Series.

Boldyga set to open district office

State Rep. Nicholas Boldyga, R-Southwick, has announced the opening of a district office located in Cooper’s Commons at 159 Main St. in Agawam.

“Having a presence both on Beacon Hill and in the District has been a goal since taking office,” said Boldyga. “Cooper’s Commons is a historical building with a great location. Residents are always welcome to come by the office and share their concerns or just say hello. I’ve heard a lot of positive comments from people who are looking forward to stopping by my office and having a cup of coffee.”

Boldyga has hired a local legislative director, Kelly Hickson, who will be based in the newly opened office. She is from Western Massachusetts and brings with her 10 years of experience in business and professional services.

The office is set to officially open Tuesday, Nov. 12 and will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be an open house after the holidays, according to Boldyga.

Presentation at The Atrium open to the public

The Atrium at Cardinal Drive, operated by Benchmark Assisted Living, will host a special presentation and a light supper Thursday, Nov. 14 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Carpenter Bixler, clinical neuropsychologist in private practice, will discuss complexities for families dealing with changes in an elder loved one and describe interventions and approaches that can foster a healthy climate.

The Atrium at Cardinal Drive in Agawam offers assisted living with specialized memory care for those with Alzheimer’s disease and other memory impairments.

Reservations are required before Nov. 12 and may be made by calling (413) 821-9911.

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Cascade 7 p.m.
Glenmeadow, 24 Tabor Crossing, Longmeadow, MA
Maryanne O’Hara will discuss her novel, *Cascade*, and its fictional setting in one of the towns destroyed to create the Quabbin Reservoir. Offered in partnership with the Springfield Jewish Community Center and its “Literatour” book festival.

Programs are free and open to the public, but space is limited. For information or to enroll, call 413.567.7800 or email learning@glenmeadow.org. Visit glenmeadow.org/learning.

Opinion

Say 'Thank You' to a veteran

On Monday morning while many of us will wake up and give thanks for a day off of work, we should be waking up ready to thank a veteran. Here in Agawam, residents will have the opportunity, thanks to the Agawam Veterans Council, who will hold a ceremony at Veterans Green outside Phelps School at 10:45 a.m., Monday, Nov. 11.

Veterans Day, originally called Armistice Day, was first proclaimed on Nov. 11 in 1919 by President Wilson, recognizing that fighting from "The Great War" had ceased seven months prior to the Treaty of Versailles when an armistice (or temporary cessation of hostilities) was established between the Allied nations and Germany. The armistice went into effect on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. It is a day remembered as "the war to end all wars."

President Wilson said, "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..."

As time passed celebrations were held on the day beginning at 11 a.m., mostly with parades and public meetings and brief suspensions of business. On May 13, 1938 an act of Congress (52 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a), made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday – known as Armistice Day, dedicated to the cause of world peace.

Though originally set aside as a day to honor veterans of WWI, in 1954 after WWII and Korea, the 83rd Congress amended the Act of 1938 by changing the word "Armistice" to the word "Veterans." Following the approval on June 1, 1954, Nov. 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars. It became Veterans' Day. Later that year on Oct. 8, President Dwight D. Eisenhower issued the first Veterans Day Proclamation, which said: "In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans, all veterans' organizations, and

the entire citizenry will wish to join hands in the common purpose. Toward this end, I am designating the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs as Chairman of a Veterans Day National Committee, which shall include such other persons as the Chairman may select, and which will coordinate at the national level necessary planning for the observance. I am also requesting the heads of all departments and agencies of the Executive branch of the Government to assist the National Committee in every way possible."

So on this Veterans Day, remember those who fought, remember those who sacrificed, and remember those who still serve. Say "Thank You" to a veteran.

Duck Boat Dynasty...



Letter to the Editor

Resident takes top billing in recent play

To the editor:

After attending the play "Picnic" by William Inge, performed by members of the Theatre Guild of Hampden, directed by Mark Giza, I must say, one of our own Agawam residents takes top billing for this play.

Andrew Joseph Ingham was Hal Carter, the main character in the play. You felt a lot of emotion during Hal's performance. Andrew, an English and drama teacher at Springfield's Central High School, a talented man, born and raised in our own hometown, has accomplished many things in high school

and college as well as being a coach, actor and teacher. He is the father of two boys with his wife, Beth, who supports Andrew's endeavors. Andrew also had a lot of supporters from Agawam, including family and friends, and also his students.

So we thank Andrew and Beth, Andrew for the great performance and Beth for being number one wife and mom. Take a rest Andrew, and we'll see you in your next performance. You have "groupies" now!

Suzanne Herlihy
West Springfield

Fairness needed for all residents

In response to the guest column by Bruce Fournier, "Getting to the core of trash debate" in the Oct. 10 edition, it is important to note that fairness for condominiums in regard to trash services has long been a state and national issue, not just something being debated in Agawam. Being taxed on the same basis as other residential dwellings and not being offered the same service(s) is universally offensive to those affected and to all fair-minded people. Approximately 60 municipalities in our state (for example: Chicopee, Marlboro, Springfield) provide trash service to condominiums. Many have done so since the advent of condominiums and others were convinced to do so through the political process by owners, with support from the Community Associations Institute. There are numerous municipalities in Connecticut who are also on board (Enfield, West Hartford). Manchester offers a rebate program to con-

dominium owners.

The reimbursement style resolution proposed by Agawam Condominiums for Trash Service (ACTS) means that the town, through its subcontractor, doesn't have to come on to private property and/or create a liability risk for itself. Trash hauler costs are maintained at current levels, rather than increased by 50 percent to 100 percent if the town provided the service. Each condominium's trash hauling contract/terms stay in place, so pick-up schedules remain the same. It's a "win-win" solution to this fairness issue.

Agawam supplied trash services to the first new condominium development in town, which was Beekman Estates, in the 1970s. On May 3, 1982, Attorney Pacella speaking for developer DePalma, obtained approval from the City Council for the Mansion Woods development by stating that the town would not have to supply street, curb,

or sidewalk maintenance, plowing, lighting, or trash service. It was also stated that school utilization would be minimal and typical condominium demographics suggested less need for fire and police. These points were made to overcome councilors' concerns about wetlands towards the rear of the property and increased traffic in the front. Relegating a sub-group of residential taxpayers to a reduced level of service in perpetuity, based on a developer's arguments in a council meeting, would seem legally questionable especially since neither we nor the town solicitor have found examples of any of it being incorporated into legal documents (such as master deeds and bylaws).

The town proceeded to craft solid waste policy to exclude trash services for condominiums. At the same time, when the developer was selling units at Mansion Woods and subsequent condominiums, he advised prospective owners that they would get some tax relief through reduced assessment values. Available records show that the town did provide that relief for a number of years, but by the late 1990s

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Harvesting a main dish

Leftover turkey recipes usually call for heavy carbs like stuffing and potatoes. I love those recipes and have a few of my own. But here is a recipe that is somewhat lighter and will make you feel a little better about your splurge on Thanksgiving Day. This is a great meal to have the day after the holiday.

My inspiration came from a salad I ordered at our favorite restaurant while vacationing in Cancun. It was served as a side dish, not a main dish. I immediately thought that adding cooked chicken or turkey would make it a great main entrée. Since cranberries are not a staple in Mexico, they used dried cherries. I do like to add feta cheese to complement the sweetness of a fresh or dried fruit. And the bacon and pecans add a salty crunch. Having several salad dressings in a household of only two may create “expired clutter” in your fridge. So, I normally use Italian dressing and add about a teaspoon of Balsamic vinegar.

Although my lettuce of choice is Romaine and it stands up well to any dressing, if you choose to prepare this salad ahead, add the lettuce and bacon just before serving to retain the crispness of both.

TABLE FOR TWO



ANN MACEY

Harvest Salad

- 4 T. Balsamic vinaigrette
- 4 - 6 oz. cooked turkey meat
- 6 C. torn lettuce
- 2 T. chopped scallions
- 1 plum tomato, diced
- 1/3 C. frozen yellow corn
- 1/4 C. crumbled Feta cheese
- 3 T. dried cranberries
- 1/4 C. chopped pecans
- 3 strips cooked bacon, very crisp and crumbled

Toss all ingredients in a large bowl, divide into two dinner plates and serve immediately. Yield: 2 servings. NOTES: You may substitute corn from a can but frozen corn has a much fresher flavor. There is no need to cook the frozen corn as it should be thawed by the time you are finished prepping the salad. One-half cup of grape tomatoes, cut in half, can be substituted for the plum tomato.

Ann Macey is the author of ‘Ann’s Table For Two: Quick and Easy Two Serving Recipes’ and a resident of Agawam. Ann always welcomes your questions and comments and you may contact her at: AnnsTable@gmail.com.

Surprised by joy

What’s the most important thing you’ve learned about life? Here are some possibilities: “I’ve learned that you can screw up in this life and it will stay with you.” And you can go through your life full of regrets. “I’ve learned that actions have consequences – you reap what you sow.” “You made your bed, now you have to lay in it and go through your life with a guilty conscience.” Is there another life lesson to learn?

Yes, there is. There is a loving God who gave us His son, Jesus Christ with a new life lesson. The Apostle Paul, in the book of Acts 13 preached to a guilt-ridden people, both Jews and Gentiles his message: “God raised up Jesus for the forgiveness of your sins, everyone who believes in this raised up Jesus is declared good and right and whole before God.” (Acts 13:38-29)

It’s called “Amazing Grace.” The grace of

God in Christ brings “pardon.” We are forgiven for sins we have done. Pardoning grace is the answer to guilt. This grace also brings acceptance – we are reunited with God and our true selves accepted, held, affirmed and loved. Accepting grace is the answer to shame. This grace brings power, a spiritual energy to rid the heaviness of shame and move us toward the true self that God means us to be. Lastly, this “Amazing Grace” brings with it gratitude, for life and for new beginnings. The sure cure for the feeling of being an unacceptable person is the discovery that we are accepted by the grace of One whose acceptance is healing and cause for joy. No wonder the Apostle Paul could say near the end of his life “I have lived my life with a clean conscience before God.” (Acts 23)

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MGM Springfield partners with Six Flags New England Agreement a multi-year, cross marketing deal

By Jennifer Wroblewski
Staff Writer

AGAWAM — Six Flags New England will partner with MGM Resorts International on an exclusive multi-year joint marketing agreement that designates MGM Springfield as the official casino-resort partner of Six Flags New England.

“Early on MGM targeted Six Flags New England as a great corporate partner,” said Bill Hornbuckle, MGM Resorts president and chief marketing officer and MGM Springfield president. “[This] deal is a point of extreme pride as we have worked hard to connect with existing regional amenities that have deep roots in Western Massachusetts and not cannibalize these anchor attractions. This agreement proves it can be done.”

This is the latest partnership announcement by MGM in its ongoing effort to work with the city of Springfield and the Western Massachusetts region to bring an approximately \$800 million residential, retail, dining, and entertainment district to downtown Springfield. Late last month MGM announced several exclusive endorsements by chambers of commerce throughout Western Massachusetts.

MGM Springfield was competing for the Western Massachusetts license with Mohegan Sun in Palmer, which in June announced a water and entertainment park was being added to their design. Voters in Palmer cast ballots Tuesday, Nov. 5, to determine whether or not to allow a casino in their town but it failed to pass by just 93 votes.

A proposal by Hard Rock International for a casino located on Big E grounds was defeated by West Springfield voters in September.

In July, the MGM Springfield proposal was approved by Springfield voters, and since the vote, the MGM team has been meeting with Western Massachusetts stakeholders and neighboring communities to firmly establish relationships and continue to prove themselves as the best casino operator to enhance the Western Massachusetts economy.

“MGM Resorts is a valued client of Six Flags New England in Western Massachusetts,” said John Winkler, president of Six Flags New England. “We are proud of our ongoing relationship with MGM Springfield and have enjoyed working with them on a variety of business initiatives.”

“MGM Springfield and Six Flags New England have great synergy with a commitment to strong entertainment offerings and dynamic marketing plans,” said Hornbuckle. “We look forward to a long and successful relationship.”

Winkler added, “We welcome MGM Resorts into Springfield and look forward to building our marketing relationship as they seek expansion into the Western Massachusetts area.”

MGM Springfield, an approximately \$800 million resort, is proposed for 14.5 acres of land between Union and State streets, and Columbus Avenue and Main Street. MGM is seeking the sole gaming license in Western Massachusetts.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner in its 32nd year

WEST SPRINGFIELD - The West Springfield Parish Association will sponsor the 32nd Annual Phil Coburn Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner, Thursday, Nov. 28 from noon to 2 p.m.

The event will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle Church located on Westfield Street in West Springfield, across from Toomey-O’Brien Funeral Home.

This free meal is open to all. Everyone

in attendance will receive a meal, a fruit basket and an African violet.

Volunteers are needed for rides and home deliveries. To volunteer, call Mike or Deb at 391-0407. For a ride or a home delivery, call the West Springfield Senior Center at 821-0605. To volunteer to work the day before or on Thanksgiving, call Barbara at 733-8682.

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changes in state law made it impossible for municipalities to continue the practice. It’s long past time for our elected officials to update solid waste regulations and return some degree of fairness to condominiums.

Condominium owners now pay up to \$4,000 per year in property taxes. While a reduced tax rate for condominiums would be the most appropriate solution, it is not

allowed by state tax law. The \$200,000 of trash service costs ACTS is asking the town to take responsibility for is only fair. Allegedly this would result in a tax increase of \$14 per year, per single family residence. While we would argue such a tax increase could easily be avoided, does the threat of such an increase justify unfair, unequal treatment of some citizens by their government?

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Low voter turnout for election

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(3,097), James P. Cichetti (2,900), Donald M. Rheault (2,651), Joseph Mineo (2,964), Paul C. Cavallo (3,052), Cecilia P. Calabrese (2,925), Dennis J. Perry (2,467), George Bitzas (3,033), Robert E. Rossi (2,683) and Christopher C. Johnson (3,261) secured their seats Tuesday. Incumbent Robert A. Magovern lost his seat to Anthony R. Suffriti by a vote of 2,415 to 2,368.

Other candidates on the ballot included Peter A. Boadry, who took 1,584 votes; Peter T. McNair, who received 2,325 votes; David G. Morin, with 1,658; Rose Anna Misischia, who garnered 1,704; Billy Chester, with 1,830 votes; and Corrine Wingard, who took 2,274 votes.

School Committee

Of the nine candidates on the Agawam School Committee ballot, incumbents Shelley M. Borgatti-Reed, Anthony C. Bonavita, Roberta G. Doering, Diane M. Juzba, and Wendy T. Rua were re-elected. Borgatti-Reed received 3,211 votes; Bonavita, 3,356; Doering, 3,117; Juzba, 3,060; and Rua, 2,758. Incumbent Linda M. Galarneau lost her seat to newcomer Carmino J. Mineo, who had 2,856 votes, according to Theroux.

Mayoral, Senate Race

Agawam Mayor Richard A. Cohen, who ran unopposed, was re-elected to his position with 3,764 votes.

Also on the ballot was the state senate race in the Second Hampden Hampshire District. Republican Donald F. Humason Jr. beat Democrat David K. Bartley for the position – which was previously held by Knapik – by a vote of 3,521 to 2,303. In all, Humason received 18,123 votes to Bartley’s 16,493. Humason, who was state Rep. for the city

of Westfield for the past 12 years, worked under Knapik as a chief of staff for several years.

Ballot Question

Also put forth to voters was a question to decide whether or not to extend the term lengths for elected officials, including mayor, city councilors and school committee members. The question – which would have changed the existing charter if passed – failed at the polls. Voters turned down the question by a vote of 2,420 yes to 2,607 no.



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Melissa Noftall greets voters at the entrance to Agawam Junior High School along with Eva Veros, 5, and Abigail Noftall, 8.

Humason bests Bartley for open senate seat

SENATE, from page 1

port public policy that is good for cities and towns in Western Massachusetts,” said Humason.

He will be one of just four Republicans in the senate, and has been placed on the Ways and Means Committee, a position previously held by former state Sen. Michael Knapik, who resigned August to take a position at Westfield State University.

Knapik and State Rep. Nicholas Boldgya, R-Southwick, were both on hand to help celebrate with Humason.

Boldgya has already been working with Humason as state representatives for neighboring districts.

“Don and I have a great relationship,” said Boldgya. “We are on the same page about many local issues including making sure people are paying lower taxes and are able

to have a roof over their head and food on the table. I’m looking forward to having him carry that forward now as a state senator.”

With voters rejecting a casino proposal in Palmer, Springfield looks to be a likely destination for a casino. Humason says he will do his best to represent the interests of surrounding towns such as Agawam, Southwick, Holyoke, and Chicopee.

“For those surrounding towns, it will be all about mitigation,” said Humason. “I have to do my best to make sure there will be minimal impacts on those communities if Springfield does get a casino downtown. But I also hope to support the positives, including job creation and additional tourism and revenues.”

Humason will have to run for re-election next fall for a full two-year seat. He confirmed that he will run again.



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Newly elected State Sen. Donald Humason is flanked by supporters Tuesday night at his victory party at East Mountain Country Club in Westfield. He defeated Holyoke City Councilor David Bartley in a special election for state senate.



Geno Santaniello of Agawam and Luca Mineo of Springfield braved chilly fall temperatures to lend their support Nov. 5.

Agawam Lioness to host Mohegan Sun trip

The Agawam Lioness Club will host a trip to Mohegan Sun Sunday, Nov. 10. Anyone interested in going is asked to be at the Agawam High School parking lot at noon. The bus will depart at 12:30 p.m., or sooner if everyone is present. The bus will arrive back at AHS at 8:15 p.m.

The cost is \$30 per person, which

includes bus driver’s tip, a \$15 food voucher and a \$15 free bet voucher. Proceeds from this trip will be used for the various charities the Agawam Lioness Club supports. The public is invited.

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WSU honors former Agawam teacher

ALUM, from page 1

university covers several acres and has more than 6,000 students with many program offerings.”

A Venice, Fla., resident now, Favreau was diagnosed with colorectal cancer in 1988. When she joined the Ostomy Association of Greater Springfield, she met people living productive lives with an ostomy. Favreau soon became a leader in local, regional, national, and international ostomy organizations.

President of the Springfield group from 1991 to 1995, she later joined the United Ostomy Association (UOA). Favreau held various leadership positions in this national organization – including two years as president. Currently, she’s secretary of the International Ostomy Association, a position she’s held since 2005.

Cancer prevention advocate

Teaching at the Granger Elementary School at the time of her diagnosis and surgery, Favreau said it was the teacher in her – and Katie Couric – that spurred her cancer prevention advocacy efforts.

“I felt that educating people about screening and encouraging them to be tested to prevent the disease was important,” she said. “Then I heard Katie Couric tell her husband’s colon cancer story when I was invited to the White House in 1988. She inspired me to do something on a national level.”

Favreau helped UOA create a prevention committee to develop materials distributed to 450 support groups nationwide. She made prevention awareness presentations – and became a sought-after speaker. She wrote magazine and newspaper articles and authored several books to raise public awareness and inform readers about cancer prevention efforts.

Favreau’s most recent book – “It’s Okay To Have An Ostomy” – is a collection of her inspirational poems about life-changing ostomy surgery. Published in 2012, it has won acclaim from cancer survivors and ostomates.

“It’s been rewarding to hear from people all over the globe that my efforts in the ostomy community and cancer prevention have made a difference in their lives,” said Favreau.

After graduating from AHS in 1954, Favreau attended the then small state college to prepare for a teaching career. In 1958, she graduated summa cum laude and married her husband Raymond. She started teaching Agawam first graders in 1959.

Favreau credits her years of teaching and her experience training teachers throughout New England at professional development seminars for much of her success.

“Standing before a group of your peers and sharing your creative teaching techniques provides experiences of timing, clarity, and audience interaction that are required to inform and inspire,” said Favreau. “These skills transferred to my passion for awareness and prevention.”

Career, family, and community service

Favreau moved to Florida in 2002, 10 years after retiring from teaching in Agawam. In between raising four children in Feeding Hills and teaching, she became active in a number of community service organizations.

A past president of the Agawam Lioness Club and the Pioneer Valley Reading Council, Favreau continues to give back to by volunteering for numerous community service groups and professional organizations in Florida.

Her community service work has earned Favreau many kudos and much recognition over the years, but the WSU award is very special. She was nominated by her college roommate, Patricia Fair Cote. Aware that Cote had nominated her for the award, Favreau was still stunned to learn she was receiving the award.

“Pat and I are lifelong friends. I was very honored that she nominated me,” said Favreau. “I was surprised, delighted, and humbled to realize that my life experiences were worthy of distinction.”

An inspiring, impressive nominee

In her nomination letter, Cote said Favreau has been a “competent leader” in every field where her life has led her. “From early college successes to ‘retirement’ activities, her intellectual involvement has never lagged,” wrote Cote. She called Favreau “a wonderful role model” for the WSU community and an “inspiration” to generations of WSU alumni.

Kathi Bradford, director of Alumni Affairs at WSU, said Favreau’s nomination was so impressive that no other nominees were considered for the 2013 award.

“A nomination from a peer or friend provides more information and more opportunity to award a truly distinguished alum – not just one who has made a large gift or a splash in the media. We look for alums who have spent their professional lifetime serving the community. Ann truly represents the meaning of this award.”

Ann Marie Waller, one of Favreau’s two daughters and an Agawam resident, said her mother has always “given her all,” no matter what she was doing. “To honor her with the Distinguished Alumnus Award is very fitting,” said. “Because of her ‘can do’ attitude, she encourages everyone that they can do anything and go anywhere.”



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Agawam resident Ann Marie Waller poses with her parents, Ann and Raymond Favreau, at Westfield State University’s Distinguished Alumnus Ceremony last month. Waller’s mother – a former Agawam resident who taught first grade at the Granger Elementary School – is only the fourth recipient of this award.

Regular School Committee meeting agenda

Roberta G. Doering School
68 Main St.
Tuesday, Nov. 12 – 7 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Moment of Silence
3. Roll Call of Attendance
4. Regular Meeting – 7 p.m.
5. Citizen’s Speak Time:
6. Highlights on Education:
 - a. Presentation of Citations to AHS Girls Track Team Members Cassandra Land and Gina Lopez
 - b. Presentation of M.A.S.S. Certificates of Academic Excellence to AHS seniors, Molly Mittler and Nolan Sheridan
7. Superintendent’s Notes:
8. Student Advisory Committee Representative Update:
9. Unfinished Business:
 - a. SCR-13-29, Acceptance of Donation from Farm Credit Financial Partners, Inc. of 8 I-Pads, 8 Cases, and a Docking Station to the Agawam Early Childhood Center
 - b. SCR-13-30, Approval of AHS Gradu-

- ation Ceremony at Symphony Hall on June 8, 2014, at 1 p.m.
10. Business Meeting:
 - a. Routine Matters
 - 1) Approval of Minutes
 - 2) Calendar/Correspondence
 - b. Warrants/Transfers
 - c. Reports:
 - 1). Scheduled Reports:
 - Home School Update (paper report)
 - MCAS Scores – A. LeClair
 - 2). Subcommittee Updates
 11. New Business: None
 12. Policy Review:
 - a. Policy KF-R, Use of School Buildings and Grounds Regulations, second and third readings
 - b. Policy KF-E, Use of School Building or Grounds Application Form, second and third readings
 - c. Policy JQ-1, School Meal Charging Policy, second and third readings
 13. Any Other Items That May Legally Come Before the Committee
 14. Adjournment

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AN ANNUAL TRADITION



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The residents at Heritage Woods Assisted Living continued their annual tradition of welcoming little ghosts and goblins to their home. Dozens of children went door-to-door Friday, Oct. 25, trick-or-treating in the warm, safe community. In addition to getting lots of candy, those children brave enough were able to walk through the spooky haunted house. From left, 2-year-old Isabella Congdon, Activity Director Donna Gwosch’s granddaughter, pictured with Gwosch and resident Shirley Soule.

Board of Appeals openings

AGAWAM – The Zoning Board of Appeals has announced that there is an opening effective Jan. 1 for one regular position and one alternate position. Interested parties should contact Barbara Bard in the city council office at 726-9716 or bbard@agawam.ma.us as soon as possible.

Rotary to meet Nov. 13

The Agawam Rotary Club will meet Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 12:15 p.m. at Storowton Tavern in West Springfield for lunch. Guest speaker will be Tiffany Bachli from the Brain Injury Association. The public is welcome to attend.
The Agawam Rotary is a service organization which assists with local, national and international projects.

AHS Class of 1983 to host reunion

The Agawam High School Class of 1983 will host a reunion Saturday, Nov. 30 at St. Anne Country Club, 781 Shoemaker Lane, Feeding Hills.
Cocktail hour will begin at 5 p.m. followed by a buffet dinner and dancer. The night’s events will also include a DJ. Tickets are \$40 per person if purchased by Saturday, Nov. 16 and \$45 per person thereafter. All payments must be received no later than Wednesday, Nov. 27.
Checks may be made payable to Class of 1983 and sent to Mary Jenks, 13 Hendom Drive, Feeding Hills, MA 01030. If married, include maiden name on the check.
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Heritage Hall to hold craft fair

The Heritage Hall Campus in Agawam will hold its annual Holiday Bazaar and Craft Fair, Saturday, Nov. 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 462 Main St. and 55 Cooper St., Agawam (five buildings of exhibits). Shop for crafts, jewelry, holiday decorations, candles, artwork, baked goods, and much more. For more information, contact Nicole Wallace at 789-8332.

AHS Counseling Bulletin

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Justin Lecuyer: Lynn University
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Nov. 6: 8 a.m., Keene State College; 9:30 a.m., Johnson & Wales University; 10:30 a.m., Lasell College
Nov. 13: 10:15 a.m., Central Connecticut State University
Open Houses/Informational Session: Many colleges are hosting events in the next few weeks. A complete list is posted in the classrooms as well as the Counseling Center. Check the college website for more information and to confirm the date and time of the event.
Scholarships: See your counselor or visit the websites below for more information or an application.
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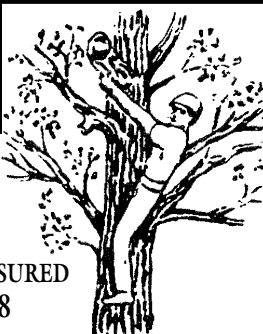
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Agawam Schools' weekly lunch menu

AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL
The Agawam High School lunch menu is posted on the school's website.

AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Monday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day. No school.
Tuesday, Nov. 12: Chicken strips with ranch dressing over wedge-cut fries, seasoned green beans, fresh and chilled fruit.
Wednesday, Nov. 13: Whole-wheat buttered noodles with meat sauce on the side, French breadstick, mixed vegetables, fresh and chilled fruit.
Thursday, Nov. 14: Pizza of the day, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.
Friday, Nov. 15: Chicken patty on a roll with condiments, Tiny Twist pretzels, 3-bean salad, fresh and chilled fruit.

ROBERTA G. DOERING SCHOOL
Monday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day. No school.
Tuesday, Nov. 12: Baked chicken strips with dipping sauce, steamed white rice, seasoned green beans, fresh and chilled fruit.

Wednesday, Nov. 13: Whole-wheat buttered noodles with meat sauce on the side, French breadstick, mixed vegetables, fresh and chilled fruit.
Thursday, Nov. 14: Ultra-grain stuffed crust cheese pizza, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.
Friday, Nov. 15: Chicken patty on a roll with condiments, Tiny Twist pretzels, 3-bean salad, fresh and chilled fruit.

AGAWAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
Monday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day. No school.
Tuesday, Nov. 12: Baked chicken strips with dipping sauce, steamed white rice, seasoned green beans, fresh and chilled fruit.
Wednesday, Nov. 13: Whole-wheat buttered noodles with meat sauce on the side, French breadstick, mixed vegetables, fresh and chilled fruit.
Thursday, Nov. 14: Ultra-grain stuffed crust cheese pizza, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.
Friday, Nov. 15: Chicken patty on a roll with condiments, Tiny Twist pretzels, 3-bean salad, fresh and chilled fruit.

DGCE at Westfield State to hold open house

WESTFIELD – The Division of Graduate and Continuing Education (DGCE) at Westfield State University will host a Graduate Open House Saturday, Nov. 16 at 11 a.m. in the Horace Mann Center.
Attendees can expect to learn about programs such as the Master of Education, Master of Public Administration, Master of Science in Criminal Justice, Master of Science in Accountancy, and Master of Arts in English. In addition to learning more about the programs, prospective students will have the

opportunity to speak with several program coordinators, advisors, and faculty members. The DGCE will also speak to attendees about the graduate application process.
All individuals who attend this Open House will have the \$50 application fee waived. To RSVP for this event, visit www.GoBackNow.com. For more information about the event or any of the graduate programs, contact the DGCE Outreach Team at dgceadmissions@westfield.ma.edu or (413) 572-8020.

POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 331 calls from Oct. 29 to Nov. 4. The department made five arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Tuesday, Oct. 29
Michael O'Malley, 28, of 5 Mansion Woods Drive, Apt. F, Agawam, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear.

Thursday, Oct. 31
A 16-year-old juvenile from Agawam was arrested on charges of domestic assault and battery, and assault with dangerous weapon.

Saturday, Nov. 2
Anton Victor Shabayev, 28, of 73 Kanawha Ave., Agawam, was arrested on charges of assault and battery with dangerous weapon, domestic assault and battery, and witness interference/obstruction of justice.
Hector Lauriano, 28, of 132 Walnut St., 1st, Agawam, was arrested on a charge of receiving stolen property over \$250.

Monday, Nov. 4
Frances Timberlake, 52, of 23 Suffield St., Apt. 35, Agawam, was arrested on charges of domestic assault and battery, and assault and battery with dangerous weapon.

FIRE LOG

The Agawam Fire Department responded to 63 EMS calls and 17 fire and emergency response calls for the week of Oct. 29 to Nov. 4.
On Oct. 30 at 11:21 a.m., the department responded to Main Street for electrical wiring/equipment problem
On Oct. 30 at 11:30 a.m., the department responded to Barry Street for smoke scare, odor of smoke.
On Oct. 30 at 12:22 p.m., the department responded to Plumtree Way for smoke detector activation.
On Oct. 30 at 4:53 p.m., the department responded to Rhodes Avenue for a lockout.
On Oct. 30 at 6:02 p.m., the department responded to Hendom Drive for unauthorized burning.
On Oct. 31 at 8:41 a.m., the department responded to Main Street for a lockout.
On Oct. 31 at 11:58 a.m., the department responded to Route 5/South End Bridge for motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
On Oct. 31 at 5:28 p.m., the department responded to Suffield Street for a good in-

tent call.
On Nov. 1 at 7:11 p.m., the department responded to Candlewood Drive for smoke detector activation, no fire – unintentional.
On Nov. 2 at 4:37 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for a smoke scare, odor of smoke.
On Nov. 3 at 1:35 p.m., the department responded to Almgren Drive for carbon monoxide incident.
On Nov. 3 at 3:16 p.m., the department responded to Cooper Street for a service call.
On Nov. 3 at 4:50 p.m., the department responded to Main Street for a lockout.
On Nov. 4 at 3:42 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for a motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
On Nov. 4 at 10:30 p.m., the department responded to Colony Lane for forest, woods or woodland fire.
On Nov. 4 at 10:59 a.m., the department responded to Federal Street Ext. for a citizen complaint.
On Nov. 4 at 2:12 p.m., the department was dispatched to Suffield Street but was canceled en route.

Seniors

SENIORS CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN

The Agawam Senior Center celebrated Halloween in style Thursday, Oct. 31. The day's events include lunch, treats, music provided by Liz Carter and 15 prizes awarded for some fantastic costumes.



Pat "Murph" Murphy is all smiles at the Agawam Senior Center's Halloween party.



Helen Elkas was among those to enjoy Halloween at the Agawam Senior Center.



Linda Lewis, Jean Dintzner, Everett Venturini, Liz Carter and Rene Jarry pay tribute the the Red Sox on Halloween.

Agawam Senior Center

Weekly calendar of events

Monday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day. Senior Center closed
Tuesday, Nov. 12: 9 a.m., S.H.I.N.E. (by appt.), Exercise, Knitting Group Meets, Sewing Class; 10 a.m., Pace Chair Exercise; 12:30 p.m., Ladies Billiards, Mah Jongg, Movie; 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 2:30 p.m., Memory Lane Chorus Meets; 4:30 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Evening Line Dance; 6:30 p.m., Evening Sewing Class.
Wednesday, Nov. 13: 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Ballroom Lessons, Scrabble; 1:30 p.m., Golden Agers Chapter 1.
Thursday, Nov. 14: 9 a.m., Exercise Class; 9:30 a.m., Quilting; 10 a.m., Line

Dancing; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch; 1:30 p.m., Open Art Class; 2 p.m., Melody Band Practice; 6:30 p.m., Pitch.
Friday, Nov. 8: 8:30 a.m., Tap Class; 9:15 a.m., Oil Painting; 10 a.m., Tai Chi Class; 11:15 a.m., Yoga; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage.

Lunch menu

Monday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day. Senior Center closed.
Tuesday, Nov. 12: Lasagna and meatballs, Caesar salad, oranges.
Wednesday, Nov. 13: Roast pork, roasted potatoes and carrots, applesauce.
Thursday, Nov. 14: Chicken orzo soup, baked potato topped with Philly cheese steak, baked good.
Friday, Nov. 15: Seafood Newberg over egg noodles, broccoli, pudding.

Notes from the Music Room

By Darcy Davis

A little while ago, the Music Room at the Agawam Senior Center received an enormous gift of piano music from the mother of Chris Maniscalchi, a very talented pianist who passed away this year, and we assured her it would be gratefully accepted.

It took 17 pages to list all of the items and we assured her it would find a place where it could be recognized and also be useful over a long time. To start with, page 1 includes the piano/vocal selections from 21 Broadway shows. Page 3 lists 25 selections of classical piano music, including the "Moonlight Sonata" (Beethoven), "Second Piano Concerto"

(Rachmaninoff), "Theme from the Warsaw Concerto" (Addinsell), "Liebestraum" (Liszt) and on and on.

A very special item to me was "The Illustrated Souvenir Album" from "This is the Army" by Irving Berlin. Other special albums on page 5 include selections by Frankie Carle, Eddy Duchin, Dave Brubeck, Zez Confrey, Andy Razaf and Roger Williams.

There were several more pages of piano selections and six pages of piano sheet music.

We will continue this partial listing in a couple of future articles and are happy to be able to find a place for this outstanding selection.

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Adelaide Lucas gives Toto the Tornado Kitten a kiss.



Among the activities was face painting.

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Toto the cat and his owner, Jonathan Hall of Brimfield pose for pictures with their new children's book.



Andrew Lynch visits with a kitty up for adoption.



Johnathan Hall signs Toto books as the beloved felines greets his fans.



Raffle items raised money for Feline Friends.

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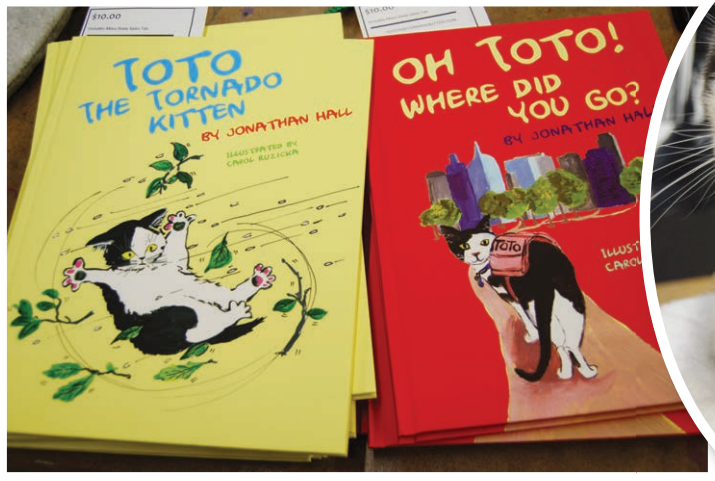
Attendees were asked to save the date, Dec. 12, for Valley Gives Day.



Adoptee Elizabeth Strole gets information from volunteers Dorothy Sleich and Linda Kushin.



Abigail Polito poses with Blaze the Fire Dog and Pumper the Cat.



Toto the Tornado Kitten has published a new book, “Oh Toto, Where did you go?”



Toto squeezes in a quick cat nap.



Baked items for sale to raise money for Feline Friends.



Pet mats were available for purchase.



Kimberly Marrin and Agawam Firefighter Pam Murphy, Blaze and Pumper.



SPORTS

Agawam offense rolls up Colts

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications
Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – For the first time in 47 years, the Agawam football team has had an undefeated regular season. The Brownies got off to a quick start, but would end up with a stellar second half and easily defeated the Colts 49-7 last Friday night at Harmon A. Smith Field.

The Brownies scored three touchdowns in the final 6:00 of the first quarter to get going, and never looked back.

After both teams had the opportunity to feel themselves out with a possession each, Agawam got going with a 7-yard run from Steve Comee to finish a scoring drive. Nick DeStefano would grab another point-after kick and the Brownies led 7-0.

Chris Walles would make a rare carry for the Brownies and scored a touchdown with 2:44 remaining. Following a turnover, Gio Russo would make his first score of the game, making a short run on the final play of the first quarter to bring it to 21-0 Agawam.

On Comp’s next possession, the

Brownies backed the Colts into the corner and scored a safety with 11:12 left. Agawam would not be able to take advantage of their next possession, but scored later in the second quarter on a 17-yard run by Russo to make it 29-0.

The Colts would score their only touchdown of the game when Cam Kagan took a 14-yard pass from Shaun Buxton to make it 29-7 at halftime.

Agawam slowed down their offense during the third quarter and Comee made the only score of the quarter when his 12-yard run upped Agawam’s score to 35-0.

In the fourth quarter, coach Rick Jewell got some of his backups into the game, with Andy Durocher scoring a touchdown early in the quarter on a 13-yard pass from Vecchiarelli.

Later in the fourth, Agawam was facing a fourth-and-goal after a pair of backfield stops put them 13 yards away from the end zone. Chris Ortega made a great run to the left side of the field and evaded a couple of tacklers to score the touchdown.

Vecchiarelli won his eighth

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Josh Flynn makes a block for Agawam on the line.

Lancers late tally dumps Agawam

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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Sports Correspondent

LONGMEADOW – The Agawam girls soccer team found themselves suffering another tough tournament loss as they were ousted from the Western Massachusetts Division 1 Tournament when they fell in the first round 2-1 to Longmeadow on Saturday afternoon.

It took penalty kicks for the Lancers to come away with the victory and a couple of wide shots by Agawam during the penalty kick phase resulted in the loss for the Brownies.

There was no scoring for the first 77:00 of play before Longmeadow managed the squeak a goal through and into the net during a scrum in front of the Agawam goal.

Caroline McKenna would be credited with the goal as she received a touch from Allison Tetrault with 3:02 remaining.

When play resumed, Agawam went right back on the attack and a Brownie midfielder was fouled just outside the box, giving the Brownies a free direct kick. That set the stage for an Elyse Cote shot.

Her shot was spot on as she popped the ball over the out-reached goalkeeper and under the crossbar to tie the game 1-1 with 2:12 remaining in the game.

The two teams would then take their fierce battle to overtime, with Agawam opting to remain attacking the same side of the field they were attacking in the second half. The Brownies owned possession of the entire first overtime before

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Katie Martin clears the ball away on defense.



Allie Wysocki tries to take the ball away from Longmeadow.

Brownies prepare for Northampton rematch

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – Agawam football will be in the tournament for the first time in many years on the heels of their first perfect regular season in 47 years.

Agawam is 8-0, with a perfect 6-0 in the new Suburban League schedule the Brownies were given this season.

Agawam struggled for many years playing in the AA Conference, widely considered some of the best competition in Western Massachusetts football because it

contains the largest schools in the area, including Central and Westfield. Both of those teams will be gearing up for the Division 2 playoffs, the highest division in Western Mass.

Agawam is a Division 4 team and while they had a perfect regular season, their power ranking trailed Wahconah slightly, so they were given the No. 2 seed in the tournament.

Agawam will host Northampton High School, a league rival. South Hadley also qualified for the tournament as the No. 4 seed. The Tigers will play at Wahconah. Both games will be played at 7 p.m.

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Vecchiarelli tally delivers Agawam to semis

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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AGAWAM – The Agawam field hockey team won the rubber match between themselves and Westfield as they picked up a 2-0 shutout last Thursday afternoon in the quarter-finals of the Western Massachusetts Division 1 Tournament.

Agawam scored a goal late in the second half to give themselves some breathing room, but otherwise played an excellent game on defense to hold off the Bombers, which beat them once last year and has been a difficult opponent the

past few years.

“Playing Westfield is always a challenge,” said coach Christine Huestis. “They gave us a really exciting game.”

There was some slipping and sliding around at Agawam High School as the game was played under rainy conditions.

Alexis Vecchiarelli scored the first goal of the game for Agawam, grabbing an unassisted tally off a rebound from Westfield goalie Karly Mastello.

The play came about 10:00 into the game and started with a penalty corner on Westfield’s end. Agawam took a shot on the goal,

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Lady Brownies sweep past Chicopee

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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AGAWAM – The Agawam girls volleyball team is not thinking about their 10-8 regular season record. They are thinking about a return trip to the Western Massachusetts Division 2 Tournament semifinals.

Agawam got started on the road to the tournament finals when they swept Chicopee, 3-0, Saturday afternoon at home.

The Brownies had a little bit of trouble closing out the second game of the three-set victory, but otherwise had an excellent showing for the second time this season against the Pacers. Agawam swept Chicopee in three straight games earlier this season.

A timeout was taken with Chicopee threatening and the score tied 20-20. The times would continue to trade volleys until Agawam had a 24-23 lead thanks to a bad serve by Chicopee. Chicopee would then hit another ball out of bounds to close out the second game with Agawam winning 25-23.

The Brownies were otherwise dominant in the game, winning the first game 25-14, and the third game 25-18.

Chicopee struggled on offense, getting very few chances to make emphatic strikes on Agawam.

The Brownies were led by an emerging Mary Kate Reidy, who has greatly improved over the course of the season. She had nine kills and five aces from the serving line to help the cause. Lexi Sears had 15 assists to help the Brownies and Danielle Stratton is back playing on the front line after suffering a shoulder injury earlier this season. She contributed five kills and seven aces to help Agawam to the win.

Agawam moved on to play third-seeded Chicopee Comp. Tuesday evening Comp easily defeated Renaissance school in a rare first round game for a No. 3 seed team. Agawam lost to Comp in their only matchup of the season 3-1 against the Colts.

The Brownies are looking to avenge a semifinal loss against Longmeadow.

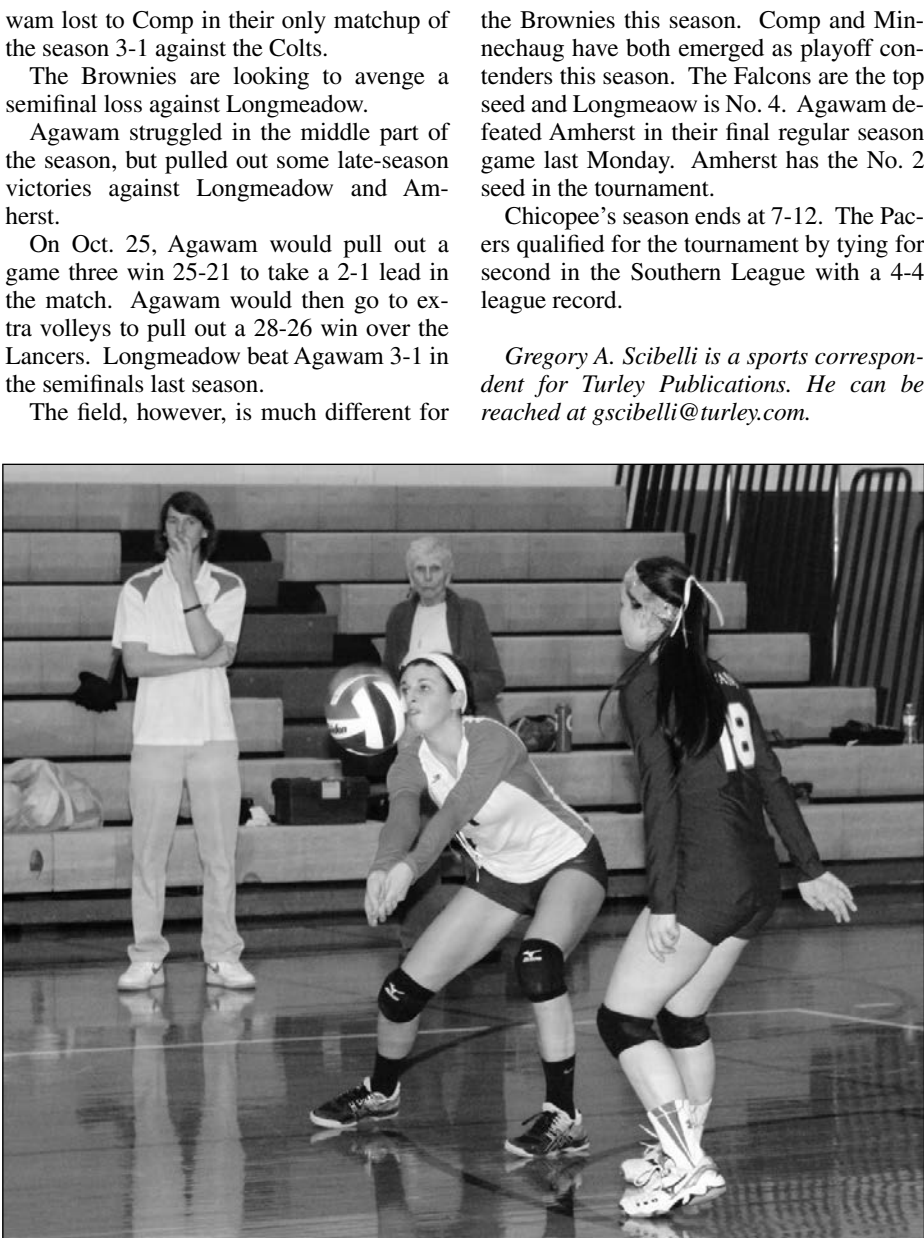
Agawam struggled in the middle part of the season, but pulled out some late-season victories against Longmeadow and Amherst.

On Oct. 25, Agawam would pull out a game three win 25-21 to take a 2-1 lead in the match. Agawam would then go to extra volleys to pull out a 28-26 win over the Lancers. Longmeadow beat Agawam 3-1 in the semifinals last season.

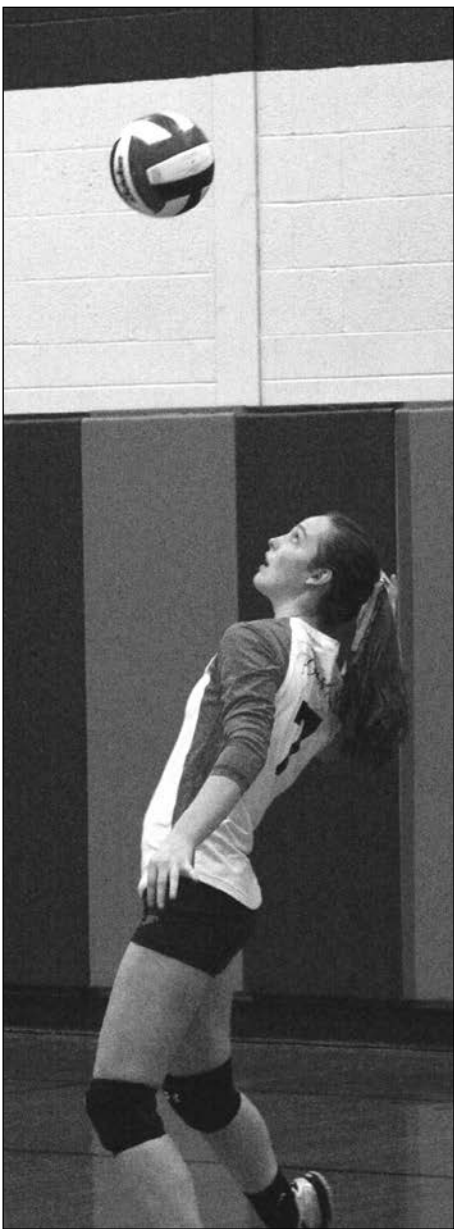
The field, however, is much different for the Brownies this season. Comp and Minnechaug have both emerged as playoff contenders this season. The Falcons are the top seed and Longmeadow is No. 4. Agawam defeated Amherst in their final regular season game last Monday. Amherst has the No. 2 seed in the tournament.

Chicopee's season ends at 7-12. The Pacers qualified for the tournament by tying for second in the Southern League with a 4-4 league record.

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Danielle Stratton makes a bump for the Brownies.



Kate Moriarty serves the ball for Agawam.

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game of the season. He went 7-for-15 passing for 95 yards and one touchdown. Comee and Russo both had excellent games on the ground. Russo went 127 yards on 12 carries and scored two touchdowns. Comee led all rushers with 134 yards on 20 carries and scored two touchdowns. Ortega had 22 yards on four carries.

Josh Flynn had 35 receiving yards on two catches.

Agawam is 8-0 for the regular season after not winning more than four games for the past five years. The Brownies went a perfect 6-0 in the Suburban League.

Comp fell to 1-7 for the year and will await their final two regular season opponents through the power ranking system for non-playoff teams.



Ian Paleologopoulos runs the ball down the sideline.



Gio Russo tries to gain a couple of extra yards with Comp tacklers making a play.

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switching sides for the second overtime.

After two scoreless 10-minute periods, the shootout ensued. Longmeadow was a perfect 4-for-4 on shots, utilizing the lower right of the net twice. Up 3-2 in a best out of five shooters, Longmeadow had the opportunity to clinch the penalty kick phase with another goal, making the fifth shot for both teams unnecessary. Michelle Nadeau would shoot the ball to the left. The ball went just off the fingertips of Becca Uschmann to clinch the game for Longmeadow.

Agawam's Allie Wysocki and Jackie Nielsen scored Agawam's two shots during the penalty kick phase.

Agawam nearly had a 1-0 lead early in the second half when a trip-up in the box gave

Cote an opportunity to give Agawam the lead on a penalty kick. Cote's shot unfortunately was just wide left of the goal to keep the game scoreless.

Agawam had the majority of the possession throughout the game. Longmeadow had very few chances to score before scoring the game's first goal with three minutes left.

The Brownies had a lot of possession, but few quality shots on goal.

Agawam's season finishes 7-9-2. They lost in the quarterfinals last season. Uschmann had five saves for the Brownies during the regulation and overtime periods.

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Goalie Becca Uschmann dives after a penalty shot.

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which was blocked by Mastello. Vecchiarelli took the rebound and sent it home to make it 1-0.

Westfield had several chances of their own during the first half, including a penalty corner late in the first half. Westfield would make a really hard shot from close range, but the ball was kicked away by Jordyn Conway. Conway played excellent in the poor conditions. She was unafraid to come out of the goal and broke up several chances for Westfield.

Though she was only credited with six saves during the game, Conway came up big for the Brownies.

In the second half, Agawam had the possession advantage throughout, but Westfield made a couple of veiled threats. Five of Conway's saves did come in the second half. Westfield had a couple of penalty corner opportunities midway through the half, but those chances were turned away by the Agawam defense.

Agawam finally broke through a second time inside of 2:00 remaining. During transition, Agawam was able to move the ball quickly into Westfield's end. Vecchiarelli would move the ball left to Anna Pelligrino. Pelligrino found an opening and sent the ball into the goal to make it 2-0.

The insurance goal helped relax the Brownies with the two-goal pad and Agawam went on to reach the semifinals of the tournament. Huestis said she's ready for the big rematch against the top-seeded Lancers.

"Longmeadow always gives us a great game and we are ready to play them tough," said Huestis.

Agawam was scheduled to make a short trip over to West Springfield Wednesday night to play Longmeadow. If Agawam were to reach the Western Mass. finals, they would play Saturday at West Springfield.

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AGAWAM TAKES PVJSL TITLE



Turley Publications submitted photo

AGAWAM - Congratulations goes out to the Agawam U11G1 girls soccer team for winning the Pioneer Valley Junior Soccer League Tournament. Agawam scored 75 goals and only allowed three as they went 15-0-1 under coach Becky Budreau.

REMATCH, from page 14

Friday. Agawam gets the rare opportunity to host a playoff game at Harmon A. Smith Field.

In the first matchup of the season between the two teams on Oct. 11, Agawam scored 21 unanswered points, and Northampton was unable to score during the fourth quarter. The Brownies scored a 21-12 win thanks to an excellent showing by the Agawam defense during the second half.

Quarterback Mike Vecchiarelli went 3-for-8 passing for Agawam for 83 yards. Running back Steve Comee ran 13 times for 143 yards and all three of Agawam's touchdowns.

Agawam trailed 6-0 early in the game before scoring three touchdowns to take a 21-6 lead. Northampton would score again later in the game, then possessed the ball late in the fourth quarter. After making a couple of first downs, Agawam finally halted their drive with less than 30 seconds on the clock.

Following a turnover on downs, Agawam downed the ball to finish the game.

Northampton features some promising rushers in their lineup, but Agawam's defense limited them greatly in the teams' first meeting. Agawam has shown the ability to score points against some of the best teams in Western Massachusetts, but will need to

play good defense to have success in the upcoming tournament.

Agawam does have wins this season over Longmeadow and Holyoke, both AA Conference teams. The Brownies beat Longmeadow for the first time since 2004.

The Brownies will feature a talented quarterback in Vecchiarelli, who has been finding more targets to go to as the season has gone on. But he is passing less this year because of the great emergence of running backs Comee and Gio Russo. Both have been very consistent on the ground for Agawam and have had a lot two and three-touchdown games this season.

Also not to be forgotten is Nick Destefano, who has emerged as a talented kicker for the Brownies. In the past three games, he has made all but two extra-point opportunities. With the playoff atmosphere it is not impossible the kicker could be called on to put in a field goal from close range.

If Agawam wins, they would play in the Division 4 championship to be scheduled for next Friday or Saturday. If Agawam loses, they would likely play the loser of the other semifinal game. Agawam will still play West Springfield on Thanksgiving, Nov. 28.

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RAMOS RECOGNIZED



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AGAWAM - On Wednesday, Oct. 23, the Agawam High School girls soccer teams celebrated coach Justine Ramos for her 15 years of coaching at the school. Congratulations for 15 wonderful years.

COLLEGE NEWS

Carrington stops four shots in win
DANBURY, Conn. - Westfield State men's soccer senior and Agawam resident Kris Carrington made four saves in a 3-0 win over Western Connecticut State University on Tuesday, Oct. 29.

Van Ness tallies fifth of season
WORCESTER - University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth women's soccer senior and Agawam resident Jillian Van Ness scored her fifth goal of the season in a 5-2 loss to Worcester State on Wednesday, Oct. 30.

Shorthanded goals push Falcons to victory

SPRINGFIELD - The Springfield Falcons (7-2-0-1) scored two shorthanded goals en route to a 3-2 victory over the Hartford Wolf Pack (7-3-0-2) Saturday night at the Mass-Mutual Center.

With the win, the Falcons pulled to within one point of the Wolf Pack for first place in the Northeast Division with two games in hand on the nearby rival.

Jake Hansen scored the first of the Falcons' two shorthanded goals of the night - his fourth goal of the season at the 0:42 mark of the second period - to give Springfield a 2-0 lead. For Hansen, the shorthanded goal was his third of the young season, matching a Falcons single-season record and pulling to within one of the franchise career record. The three shorthanded goals this season ranks first in the American Hockey League.

Darryl Boyce added the team's second shorthanded goal at 16:24 of the third period, which gave Springfield a 3-1 lead and served as the eventual game-winner. For Boyce, it was his third goal of the season and second shorthanded, tying him for second in the AHL.

Cody Bass got the Falcons on the board just 2:20 into the first period, leading a 2-on-1 rush into the offensive zone and firing a wrist shot over Hartford goaltender Scott Stajcer's shoulder. For Bass, the goal was his first of the season in just his second game.

Stu Bickel and Danny Kristo scored the Hartford goals.

Jeremy Smith (4-1-1) made 22 saves on 24 shots in net for Springfield. Stajcer (1-1-0) stopped 19 of 22 for the Wolf Pack.

Neither team tallied a power-play goal. Springfield went 0-for-7 on the man advantage, while Hartford was 0-for-3.

Falcons outlast Wolf Pack in shootout

The Springfield Falcons (6-2-0-1) snapped their three-game losing streak and defeated the Hartford Wolf Pack (7-2-0-2), 3-2, in a shootout.

Jonathan Marchessault notched the shoot-out-winning goal as he snapped a quick wrist shot past Hartford netminder Jason Missiaen. Alex Alerardi added the other conversion for Springfield, beating Missiaen with a backhanded shot.

Falcons goaltender Mike McKenna (3-1-0) stopped four of the five Wolf Pack shoot-out attempts, along with 22 of the 24 shots

he faced through regulation and overtime.

After Dylan McIlrath gave Hartford an early 1-0 lead, Lukas Sedlak evened the score at the 9:56 mark of the first period. The rookie stole the puck in the neutral zone, led a 2-on-1 rush and fired a wrist shot into the back of the net. For Sedlak, the youngest player on the Springfield squad, the score was his team-leading fourth of the season.

The Falcons grabbed a 2-1 lead at 9:02 of the second period when Aleardi streaked into the offensive zone and delivered a feed across the crease to Andrew Joudrey for the score. For the Falcons assistant captain, the goal was his first of the season.

Hartford's Andrew Rowe scored at 17:15 of the second period to even the score at 2-2. Rowe was the only member of the Wolf Pack to convert in the shootout.

Missiaen (2-1-1) made 32 saves on 34 shots in 65 minutes in net, but allowed two of four shootout attempts past him.

Falcons fall to Phantoms

The Falcons were defeated by the Adirondack Phantoms, 2-1, at the Glens Falls Civic Center Wednesday night.

Special teams played a major role in the contest, as both of Adirondack's goal were score on the power play - a Kris Newbury tally at 15:03 of the second period and a Chris VandeVelde tally at 12:24 of the third period.

Adirondack was 2-for-5 with the man advantage, while the Falcons went 0-for-6 on the power play.

Springfield cut the deficit in half at 13:11 of the third period when Lukas Sedlak buried a loose puck into the back of the net. For the rookie Sedlak, the score was his third of the season, tying him with Jake Hansen for the team lead.

With under a minute left in regulation and the Springfield net empty, the Falcons worked on a 6-on-4 advantage after a Bruno Gervais slashing minor. Patrick McNeill's slap shot from the high slot rang off the post, and the Falcons were unable to even the score late.

Jeremy Smith (3-1-1) stopped 28 of the 30 shots he faced in net for Springfield, losing in regulation for the first time this season. Adirondack netminder Cal Heeter (2-2-0) made 27 saves on 28 shots.

Church News

DEATH NOTICES & SERVICES

Yacteen, Nawal
Died Oct. 30, 2013
Private Burial

Nardi, Evelyn M.
Died Oct. 28, 2013
Funeral Nov. 1, 2013
Agawam Funeral Home

Young, Gary G.
Died Oct. 22, 2013
Private Services

St. John's Travelers announces upcoming trips

St. John's Travelers has announced the following upcoming trips, which are open to the public.

Feb. 7-9: The Winter Carnival Festival in Quebec City, Canada. Accommodations at the Four-Star Hilton in Quebec City.

Cost is \$465 per person (double occupancy); \$455 per person (triple occupancy); \$655 per person (single occupancy). A \$100 deposit is required by Dec. 1, with the balance due Jan. 7.

The bus departs at 7 a.m. from St. John's Church, 833 Main St., Agawam and will return at approximately 8 p.m.

Feb. 18-20: "Dream Lovers" at the Taj Mahal (Eva Tereso and Jimmy Mazz as Connie Francis and Bobby Darin) on the boardwalk in Atlantic City, N.J. Two nights accommodations at the Taj Mahal and a \$60 slot bonus.

Cost is \$189 per person (double occupancy); \$184 per person (triple occupancy) \$289 per person (single occupancy). A \$50 deposit is required by Dec. 15, with the balance due Jan. 15.

The bus will depart at 7:30 a.m. from St. John's Church, 833 Main St., Agawam and will return at approximately 8 a.m.

For information and reservations on the above trips, call Emile Coté at 335-9440.

Agawam Advertiser News Obituary Policy

Turley Publications offers two types of obituaries.

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Death Notices & Paid Obituaries should be submitted through a funeral home to: obits@turley.com.

Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

St. John's to host holiday bazaar

The St. John's Holiday Bazaar will be held Saturday, Nov. 23 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the Parish Center. The bazaar will feature Christmas wreaths and decorations in addition to a baked goods booth, candy booth, St. John's famous jewelry booth, and Attic Treasures booth.

There will be books for young and old alike, toys, bountiful baskets and raffles and for the hungry shoppers, a snack bar. Santa will also be there and available for pictures.

The public is invited.

Crafters wanted for upcoming fair

WEST SPRINGFIELD - Grace Lutheran Church has space available for crafters interested in the 35th Annual Holiday Fair to be held Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. top 4 p.m. in the church hall at 1552 Westfield St., West Springfield. The fair will feature local crafters and traditional church shops. Proceeds from the event will go to the Women in Christ group to help fund its missions. For more information or an application, call Sue at 562-7784.

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Legal Notices

SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER MASS. G. L. c. 183A § 6 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 140G Autumn St., Agawam, Mass. 01001

By virtue of Judgment and Order of Sale of the Westfield District Court (Docket No. 1344CV111) in favor of Trustees of the Overlook Town House Condominium Association against **Ruby Perakis, Antonia Perakis** and Bank of America establishing a lien pursuant to Mass. G. L. c. 183A § 6 on the real estate known as Unit 140G of the Overlook Town House Condominium for the purpose of satisfying such lien, the real estate will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 A.M. on November 26, 2013 at the premises. The premises to be sold is more particularly described as follows:

Certain real estate situated in Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, described as follows:

Unit 140G in Building No. 140 (the "Unit") in Overlook Town House Condominiums (the "Condominium") in Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, a condominium established pursuant to and subject to the provision of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 183A, created by Master Deed (the "Master Deed") dated October 30, 1979 and recorded on October 30, 1979 in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds at Book 4856, Page 38 as amended in Book 5030, Page 208. The Unit is more particularly described in the Master Deed and the Plans recorded therewith in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 187, Pages 84—91. The Unit contains approximately 1058 square feet, and the post office address of the unit is 140G Autumn Street, Agawam, Massachusetts. The Unit is conveyed together with an undivided 3.33 percentage interest in the common areas and facilities of the Condominium, as described in the Master Deed.

Subject to pole and line rights easements of record.

The Unit is conveyed subject to and with the benefits of all easements, rights, reservations, restrictions, agreements and provisions contained in the Master Deed and the By-Laws recorded therewith, and the Rules and Regulations from time to time promulgated thereunder as authorized therein, including without limitation the restrictions set forth in the Master Deed that the Unit may be used only as a dwelling for one family or two persons unrelated by blood and marriage and that no business activities of any nature may be conducted in the Unit, except as provided therein. The provisions of the

Master Deed and the Plans and By-Laws recorded therewith, as amended from time to time, are hereby incorporated by reference and constitute covenants running with the land and are and shall remain upon any person or persons having at any time any interest or estate in the Unit and person claiming through or under them.

This conveyance is also made subject to and with the benefit of the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 183A as now in force and as from time to time amended.

Title to the Unit is based on deed recorded in Hampden Registry of Deeds in Book 14237, Page 119.

Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes, tax titles, water and sewer assessments, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the lien above described. Said premises will also be sold and conveyed subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to priority over the lien above described, and subject to and with the benefits of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record, if any, insofar as such are in force and applicable. Said premises will also be sold subject to all leases and tenancies and rights of persons now and at the time of sale in possession or occupancy of the premises, and subject to all rights or claims in personal property installed by tenants or former tenants now located on the premises, belonging to said tenants or occupants. Said premises are also sold subject to any and all laws and ordinances, including (but not limited to) all building codes, state sanitary code, and zoning by-laws and/or ordinances and any other Federal, State or local statutes, regulations and rules. The premises are sold "as is" and no representations or warranties are made by the undersigned.

TERMS OF SALE: Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) will be required to be paid in cash or by certified check or bank cashier's check by the purchaser at the time and place of the sale. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash or by certified check or by bank cashier's check, and the deed delivered at the closing, which shall be held at the Law Office of Michael J. Serduck, 256 North Pleasant St., P.O. BOX 626, Amherst, Massachusetts 01004, at 9:00 A.M. on the 14th day following the foreclosure sale, time being of essence. The purchaser shall be responsible for all closing costs, Massachusetts deed excise tax, all other taxes and all recording fees. The purchaser will be responsible for all

condominium fees accruing after November 26, 2013. If purchaser fails to purchase said unit without good cause, the deposit shall be retained as liquidated damages by the lienholder.

This sale may be postponed or adjourned from time to time, if necessary, by the attorney for the undersigned at the scheduled time and place of the sale.

The successful bidder shall be required to sign a Memorandum of Sale containing the above terms at the auction sale.

Other terms, if any, will be announced at the sale.

Lienholder (Trustees of the Overlook Townhouse Condominium Association)

By **Michael J. Serduck**
Attorney for Lienholder
256 North Pleasant St.
P.O. BOX 626
Amherst, Mass. 01004
(413) 253-5761
Dated: October 23, 2013
10/31,11/7,11/14/13

AGAWAM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT October 22, 2013

Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Public Library Community Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on **Monday, November 25, 2013 at 6:45 PM** for all parties interested in the appeal of Salmar Realty, Inc., which is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-71 of the Zoning Ordinances which would allow for the construction of a "Dunkin Donuts" restaurant on land found to lie within the floodplain at the premises identified as 385-389 Main Street.

Doreen Prouty Chairperson
Agawam Board of Appeals
11/7,11/14/13

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Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Public Library Community Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on **Monday, November 25, 2013 at 6:30 PM** for all parties interested in the appeal of Dmitry Ivanov, who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7, Paragraph H of the Zoning Ordinances which would allow for the construction of a single family dwelling at the premises identified as 70 Bailey Street.

Doreen Prouty Chairperson
Agawam Board of Appeals
11/7,11/14/13

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, November 21, 2013 at 7:30 PM** in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of the Agawam Planning Board on a proposed zoning amendment to Section 180 of the Agawam Zoning Ordinance by adding a new district entitled "Mixed Use Business C District." A copy of the proposal can be obtained from the Agawam Planning Office between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM in the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA.

BY ORDER OF:
Travis P. Ward, Chairman
Agawam Planning Board
11/7,11/14/13

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Doreen Prouty Chairperson
Agawam Board of Appeals
11/7,11/14/13

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Hampden Division 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-8600

Estate of:
Linda Anne Bovat
Also Known As:
Linda Bovat
Date of Death:
April 25, 2013
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Carl V. Fransqueza** of Feeding Hills MA Petitioner **Karen M. Brown** of Feeding Hills MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Carl V. Franqueza of Feeding Hills MA **Karen M. Brown** of Feeding Hills MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervi-

sion by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 11/7/13

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Hampden Division 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-8600 Docket No. HD13P2094EA

Estate of:
Helen Katherine Cooley
Also Known As:
Helen Cooley and Helen K. Cooley
Date of Death:
September 28, 2013
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **George H. Cooley** of Southampton MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Pellegrini, Seeley, Ryan & Blakesley, P.C.
Attorney Phyllis P. Ryan
85 Main St. – Suite 308
North Adams,
MA 01247-3401
11/7/13

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL AD

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on **Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 6:35 PM** at the Agawam Public Library, 750

Cooper Street, Agawam, Mass. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear the Request for Determination of Applicability of Interbartolo for property located at 164 Southwick Street.

By Order of **Henry A. Kozloski**, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission

11/7/13

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL

The Agawam City Council will hold a public hearing on **Monday, December 2, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.** at the Roberta G. Doering School, 68 Main Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the Petition of John Conte and Louis Conte, 661 Barry Street as prepared by R. Levesque Associates, Inc. for a proposed Zone Change Plan for Parcel H 13 8 18 on Sheri Lane, Feeding Hills. The Zone Change request is to Change from Business A and Agricultural to Business A. A copy of the proposed Zone Change can be obtained from the Agawam Planning Office or the Agawam City Clerk's Office between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. in the Agawam City Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA.

BY ORDER OF:
Christopher C. Johnson
City Council President
11/7/13

LEGAL AD AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 6:40 PM**, at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Russo for work to be performed on Corey Street subject to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act.

By Order of **Henry A. Kozloski**, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission

11/7/13

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL AD

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on **Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 6:30 PM** at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, Mass. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear the Request for Determination of Applicability of Stop & Shop Supermarket Co. for property located at 1282 Springfield Street.

By Order of **Henry A. Kozloski**, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission

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Business

Limero named business intelligence officer



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WEST SPRINGFIELD - Richard B. Collins, president and CEO of United Bank, has announced the promotion of David Limero, of Agawam, to the position of business intelligence officer.

Limero joined United Bank in 2009 as a business intelligence specialist in the information technology area, and was promoted to manager the following year. He was named as the bank's Service Excellence Award winner for the first quarter 2012, and was awarded the prestigious President's Award that same year. His honors and job advances coincided with his pursuit of a bachelor's degree in web development from Franklin University, which he received in January 2012.

He also holds an associate degree in web programming from Springfield Technical Community College.

Prior to accepting a position with United, Limero served as a web developer for the University of Massachusetts Amherst.



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McKenna Orthodontics in Feeding Hills will host a food drive with all donations to benefit the Bethany Assembly of God Food Pantry in Agawam. Non-perishable food items will be accepted through Nov. 19 at McKenna Orthodontics, 1285 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dollar General to open in Agawam

Sander Family LLC, owner of Agawam Towne Square, and Mayor Richard A. Cohen have announced that Dollar General will open at 63 Springfield St. The discount chain has signed a 10-year lease and will occupy 10,000 square feet.

Dollar General will join the Salvation Army Family Store, NAPA Auto Parts, Slot Car Speedway, and US Taekwondo. Also opening soon in the Agawam Towne Square will be the YMCA Family Health and Wellness Center.

"This will create jobs in our community and attract residents to this area to shop and also increase our tax base," said Cohen. "We welcome Dollar General to our community as new neighbors."

According to Marcel Sanders, Dollar General is a perfect fit for his family oriented, discount shopping center.

Neal welcomes action to tackle offshore tax avoidance

WASHINGTON - Congressman Richard E. Neal, a senior member of the House Ways and Means Committee, recently welcomed a decision by the U.S. Treasury Department to take further action to cut down on offshore tax avoidance by American citizens and to bring more transparency to international banking.

The Treasury Department disclosed strict tax compliance and enforcement measures that foreign financial institutions (FFI) must observe when U.S. individuals seek to establish offshore accounts in foreign banks. The new reporting requirements are the next step in the full implementation of the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA), which was passed by Congress in 2010. Neal held hearings on the issue and was a co-sponsor of the legislation.

According to the Treasury Department, FACTA was enacted to target non-compliance by U.S. taxpayers using foreign accounts. FACTA requires foreign financial institutions to report to the IRS information about financial accounts held by U.S. taxpayers, or by foreign entities in which U.S. taxpayers hold a substantial ownership interest. The guidelines published by Treasury today represent a significant step forward in the implementation of legislation design to reduce offshore tax evasion.

"I have worked hard to crack down on Americans engaging in offshore tax avoidance for many years," said Neal. "These tax cheats cost the treasury billions of dollars in lost revenue each year. It has been my firm belief that foreign financial institutions should be held accountable for their actions, and the culture of bank secrecy must come to an end. These new rules and requirements will bring much needed transparency to international banking. It will improve taxpayer compliance and prevent U.S. citizens from evading their taxes through complicated avoidance schemes. These new enforcement tools announced by Treasury today are another example that the days of foreign tax havens are coming to an end."

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Horse drawn carriages

5. Cathode-ray tube

8. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid

12. Marbles playing stone

14. Zodiacal lion

15. Whale ship captain

16. Hit the sack

18. Hostelry

19. People of southern India

20. Four

21. Male workforce

22. March 15

23. Food lifter

26. Copy

30. De Mille (dancer)

31. Overcharged

32. Conducted

33. Pronouncements

34. Flemish names of Ypres

39. Denotes three

42. Root source of tapioca

44. Animal track

46. Backed away from

47. Neighborhood canvas

49. Pigeon-pea plant

50. Nursing group

51. Within reach

56. Turkish brandy

57. Metal food storage container

58. Batten down

59. Assist in wrongdoing

60. Old world, new

61. Rust fungus spore cases

62. A way to wait

63. Point midway between S and SE

64. Adam and Eve's third son

CLUES DOWN

1. Has two wheels

2. "A Death in the Family" novelist

3. Fabric stuffing

4. Mix in a pot

5. Move up a mountain

6. Replenishment

7. Weight of a ship's cargo

8. Flightless birds with flat breastbones

9. Scholarship bequester Cecil

10. Consumer advocate Ralph

11. Overgarments

13. Terminator

17. Derive

24. Angry

25. Imprudent

26. Rural Free Delivery (abbr.)

27. Lilly, drug company

28. Chest muscle (slang)

29. Lease

35. Point midway between E and SE

36. Cool domicile

37. First woman

38. Radioactivity unit

40. Revolves

41. Incongruities

42. ___-Magnon: early European

43. Indefinitely long periods

44. Saturated

45. Mannerly

47. Abu __, United Arab Emirates capital

48. Move rhythmically to music

49. Cheerless

52. 4 highest cards

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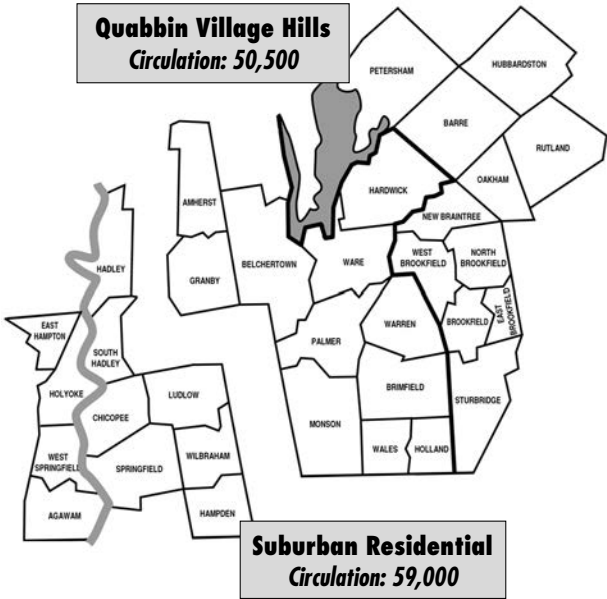


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